

THE TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 2, 1842.

17 Democratic Whig General Committee.—A regular meeting of this Committee will be held at the Broadway House, on Tuesday evening, July 3, at 8 o'clock.

ELLIS POTTER, Chairman.

E. E. COWLES,

Secretary.

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17 Mr. Clay's Speech at the Festival at Lexington, Ky.—Mr. Chief Justice ROBERTSON'S ADDRESS as President of the Meeting, and Mr. CLAY'S FAREWELL SPEECH on his retiring from the United States Senate, will be published in a neat Pamphlet and for sale at this office to-morrow. Price 12 cents, or \$1 per dozen.

17 The July No. of the American Laborer, containing Mr. Huntington's Speech on the Tariff, and numerous Valuable Statistical Tables and Documents relating to the Labor and Industry of the Country, is now ready for delivery.—Subscription Price 25 cents the year. Twenty copies for \$10.

17 Advertisers will please hand in their advertisements for Monday's paper, before 9 o'clock this evening.

17 The continued absence of the responsible Editor must excuse the neglect of sundry letters, &c.

17 An interesting letter from Washington and some half dozen columns of news items and other matter are unavoidably crowded out this morning.

17 For Professor Bush's Fifth Lecture—The Learned Blacksmith's Temperance Address, and an Association Article, see First Page.

17 For the Speech of the President at the Great Clay Festival in Kentucky, see Last Page.

The Veto.

We yesterday gave to our readers the Message of President TYLER returning to the House of Representatives with his objections to the bills extending the present Tariff or Duties until the 1st of August—for the purpose of providing supplies for the Government, until, after due consideration and the profound reflection demanded by the transcendent importance of the subject, a permanent Tariff can be established adequate to satisfy at once the wants of the Government and the necessities of the country. This bill was demanded by the exigency of the case; existing provisions, without some special legislation, were about to expire by their own limitation—the country was to be left without revenue under a heavy debt—and the ports of the nation to be thrown open for the free admission of goods from abroad. It was framed with a most scrupulous regard for what were understood to be the prejudices of the President, and with even a more absolute deference to Executive dictation than the free spirit of our institutions could sanction or approve. Every possible effort was made to accommodate its provisions to the President's scruples; and yet he has thrown himself between the wants of the nation and the wisdom of Congress and forbidden by his own power this bill to become a law! Well might his apologist from South Carolina declare that this "was one of the most daring measures the world has ever witnessed." The history of American legislation contains no parallel to its absolute tyranny and most fervently do we hope that it may never be cited as a precedent for similar usurpation in all time to come. In palliation of his former veto President Tyler has urged constitutional scruples which have had the weight of moral obligation. With men of extraordinary charity this plea has had some weight—in excuse for the man if not in justification of the act. But for this his third and most important veto he urges merely a difference in judgement. He places himself far above the Congress of the Union, and claims the power, which he is very ready to use, to veto any measure they may pass, not only for constitutional and conscientious reasons, but upon the grounds of his own judgement and his own unadvised will. What more than this an absolute monarch can do we cannot conjecture.

Mr. Tyler objects to the bill on the following grounds:

1. It suspends the action of the Compromise bill; and, virtually admitting that under certain contingencies this may be done, he "has not been able to persuade himself that the *exigency of the occasion is so great as to justify him in signing the bill.*" Passing over the insolent usurpation of this claim of a right to decide, let us see what are the exigencies of the occasion? The third section of the Compromise Act provides that after the 30th of June, 1842, all credits in the payment of duties shall be abolished, and "such duties shall be laid for the purpose of raising such revenue as may be necessary to an economical administration of the Government; and the duties required to be paid by law shall be assessed on the value at the port of entry, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law." This evidently contemplates legislative action before any duties can be collected after the 30th of June. This is clearly the intent of the section. Now no such action has been had. The only bill which is ever cited as relating to this section is that of Sept. 30, 1841—and this by its very title relates exclusively to the sixth section of the Compromise—affecting only those articles which by the act of '33 were admitted free or at a less rate of duty than 20 per cent. This cannot be construed to supply the legislative action contemplated in the third section. The provisional Tariff bill was intended expressly to supply this deficiency—and this John Tyler has voted. So that he is now without legal warrant for collecting any duties whatever. Yet he says that "under the directions of the Secretary of the Treasury," the duties may be collected. Is not this in effect, though under an artful disguise, proclaiming that *Executive orders*—with or without the sanction of Congress—are to have the full force of Law? And is not this an assumption of power which no British monarch ever dared to arrogate, and which in past years would have awakened a spirit not only of indignation but of revolution throughout the land?

2. The other ground of opposition to this bill assumed by Mr. Tyler is, that it *suspends* the operation of the Distribution Act, whereas he would have it left to suspend itself. The sum of which is that he wishes the act repealed, because he deems its repeal called for by "a large sum not a majority of the people, by the state of the public credit and finances, by the critical posture of our foreign relations, and by public faith." Now we should like to know if the Constitution has made the President the judge of these matters? Are they not clearly left to the discretion of Congress? And after that body, elected by the people for the express purpose of making their will *law*, has solemnly declared its judgement in the matter, is it not the most glaring usurpation in the President to set it aside and substitute his own bare will, and make *that* law in its stead?—What more than this could the bayonets of Cromwell do?

But even if he had any right thus to act, the grounds of objection would still be most absurdly weak. The President has in no case a right to go beyond the election returns to determine what is the People's will, if it were possible for him to do so. As to the plea that the public necessities demand for the Treasury the proceeds of the public lands, how ridiculously frivolous does it appear in the light of facts. The nation is in debt twenty millions of dollars; her annual expenses are nearly

thirty millions. By the Compromise Act all revenue is to be cut off by the will of John Tyler, unless, first, the public lands be snatched from the State—the lawful owners—and applied to the purposes of the Federal Government—and what is the amount from this source? No man estimates it at above two millions; and yet to regain possession of this small sum, a war is waged by the Executive with Congress to the extermination of the best interests of the Country!

These are the only reasons given by Mr. Tyler for vetoing the bill, and plunging the nation into difficulties, such as she has never before encountered. What effect this high-handed measure will have upon the country at large can scarcely be a matter of conjecture. It is in effect a proclamation to the people that the President is greater than the Congress they have chosen to execute their will. It declares that his power is sufficient to make all laws necessary for the support of the Government, that he needs not the aid of the National Legislature, and what is still more to the purpose, that that body shall not be allowed to stand between him and the exercise of that power whenever he sees fit to use it. We feel that there was truth in the declaration of Mr. FILLMORE that "we were now in a crisis which would shake this Union to its centre." The people, blinded though they may be by despair and apathy to their own interests, *cannot* be thus spurned and trodden under foot, and yet remain indifferent to the preservation of their rights and liberties.—This is the crowning act of that usurping tyranny which has marked the course of Mr. Tyler since he first came into power by a sad dispensation of Providence which is becoming day by day more mysterious and inscrutable. If the people tamely submit to its continuance, they have lost that spirit which gained them their freedom, and which alone can preserve it.

We trust, *now* at least, no attempt will be made in any quarter to throw the responsibility of *any thing* that Mr. Tyler may do upon the Whigs as the dominant party. If the merited voice of the Whig press from Maine to Louisiana—it the indignant murmurs of the people themselves at every public meeting that is held—if the most solemn protestations of Whig members of Congress and of the leading men of that party everywhere, *can* disown any policy—the sins of John Tyler must never be laid to their charge. Until the present time he has stood alone. No party, as such, would for a moment take to themselves the credit of any of his acts. But the signs of the times indicate that he has not ventured upon this boldest and basest of all his measures, "solitary and alone!" The zeal with which Loco-Foco in the House rushed to the rescue of the Message from the scathing assaults of the gallant Whigs in that body—stung to madness by the cool insult of this treacherous movement, and the ready rush of the Globe, the Post, and other Loco-Foco organs, to the support of Mr. Tyler, clearly indicate the predominance of Loco-Foco counsels in the private Cabinet of the President. It is upon them that the responsibility of this act must fall. The President despising success in his long continued efforts to dragoon the Whigs of Congress and of the nation into his support, has thrown himself into the arms of his natural kindred; he has at last found rest in the bosom of Loco-Focoism—and we feel no desire to disturb his peace. He will soon enough find out that they have deluded him by hollow promises they never intended to fulfil, and cheated him with hopes destined from the first to most bitter disappointment. As for the Whigs, we feel sure that every one of them will rejoice with Mr. FILLMORE, that "the Administration at last has passed into its appropriate place."

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17 The Storm.—Correspondence of the Tribune. SENNETT, N. Y., June 27, 1842.

A most terrible hail storm passed over this place yesterday afternoon, destroying almost every thing of the vegetable kind that came in its way. Our wheat fields are entirely destroyed, and corn fields are in a great measure prostrated. The storm reached some eight or ten miles in length, and about two in breadth. Hail stones fell as large as hen's eggs.

I shall roll down my wheat and plough it under, which will serve at least for a good coat of manure. Almost every house in the course of the storm has been damaged more or less, in consequence of the destruction of window glass. Mr. J. Page, innkeeper in our village, had over two hundred panes destroyed in his hotel. Yours,

For the Tribune.

"We have just read an advertisement of the Harvard University at Cambridge Massachusetts, headed "Law Department of Harvard University," setting forth the design of the institution, plan of instruction, terms, &c. It states also that "the active labors of instruction are shared equally by Mr. Justice Story, who is Dean Professor of Law at the University; and by Mr. Greenleaf, the Royal Professor of Law, &c."

STATE CONVENTION IN MAINE.—Portland papers announce that a Whig State Convention was held at that city on the 23d. The attendance, although the Convention was one of delegates only, was very large, and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed. Hon. L. S. CUTTER was chosen President. Hon. EDWARD ROBINSON, of Thomaston, was nominated as the Whig candidate for Governor. He is a very popular and worthy man. He was formerly a ship-master, and has filled with honor stations in the State Senate and in Congress. He accepted the nomination in a brief and sensible speech. Spirited resolutions, expressing the feelings of the Whigs of the State, were adopted by acclamation. One of them nominated HENRY CLAY for the Presidency in 1844, and was received with shouts of applause. Several able and excellent speeches were made.

SARATOGA WATER.—We understand that the waters of the Union Spring at Saratoga, which in many respects are superior to all others at that celebrated watering place, are bottled with great care and kept for sale in this city by the Messrs. Sams. The Spring discharges its water at the rate of about four gallons per minute; its taste is more pungent than that of the other Springs, and it is said to surpass them in some of its most important medical qualities. It is very highly recommended for scrofulous and bilious complaints by physicians of eminent skill.

NEW JERSEY SENATE.—We learn that it is probable that Hon. WILLIAM L. DAYTON, late one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Jersey will receive the appointment of U. S. Senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the lamented Senator SOUTHDOWN.

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17 The Finance Committee of the Common Council under the Whig organization, have made arrangements for the payment of the Bonds due yesterday against the city, amounting to over \$190,000. They have already paid over \$33,000, being all that was applied for, and are prepared to pay the balance, without the interference of the Mayor or Loco-Foco members.

From Rhode Island.

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PROVIDENCE, Thursday 5 P.M.

I had a fair inspection this morning of the spoils of victory, brought in last evening. They are arranged in the yard in front of the Cadet Armory, and consist of seven pieces of cannon, (two of them charged to the muzzle with slugs, balls, &c.) a number of tents, belonging to the Woonsocket Rifle Company, Providence Artillery, and the Worcester sympathizers—several hundred pounds of scrap iron, broken into the most suitable sizes to be used for destruction—a large wagon—a peddler's traveling cart, with a genuine assortment of birch brooms, buckets, pails, &c., red flags, muskets, pikes, bullets, musical instruments, a military coat and hat, and other articles "suitable for the trade."

Carter, the principal fighting man, has been captured, and was this morning committed to prison. He is a blacksmith, and the pikes are said to have been made under his direction.

Despau has also been taken, and billeted at the same place. This man was the commander of one of the volunteer companies who accompanied Dorr to the Arsenal. After it was found the cannon would not go off, he was requested by Dorr to attack the infantry. "Oh no, Governor," was his reply; "I didn't come here to fight—I only came to bluff." The peddler's wagon was taken on the road to Chepachet, without its owner, who abandoned it and fled to the woods when a file of soldiers was seen approaching. In some of the apartments were found stowed away powder, balls, and some other articles not usually carried by peddlers. The skipper was soon after taken, but it is not probable he will have his brooms, &c. restored even if he should be so fortunate as to escape a long imprisonment himself.

A large portion of the troops have returned to their homes. The city force, however, is perfectly organized, and stand ready at a moment's notice, to march in case of disturbance.

Two of the field-pieces taken were found in the woods, the others in the camp. Among them is the one stolen from Brown & Ives. In addition to the eleven kegs of powder about twenty kegs full were found in barrels and canisters. A great number of pistols, swords, guns, rifles, and other arms, were found, many of them concealed in the woods.

A son of Ex-Governor Arnold was wounded yesterday at Orangeville, by the accidental discharge of a pistol. Fortunately the wound was slight.

The Legislature met pursuant to adjournment this afternoon, when a resolution was introduced by Mr. John H. Clarke, the purport of which is that no discharge shall be made of prisoners until they have been examined by Commissioners appointed by the General Assembly, and their action approved by the Governor. It is still under discussion and will probably pass.

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BY THIS MORNING'S MAIL.

Veto Debate—Extension of Compromise Act—Collection of Duties after 30th June, &c. &c.

Correspondence of the Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, June 30, 1842.

In SENATE, to-day, the bill for the re-organization of the Army was, after some discussion, ordered engrossed.

The bill further to provide for the administration of remedial justice in the United States Courts was opposed at length by Mr. WRIGHT.

Some half-dozen private bills, including one for the payment of Michigan militia, were passed.

Mr. WOODBURY gave notice of the introduction to-morrow of a bill to extend the present revenue laws and also to fix a home valuation on imports.

The Senate adjourned.

In the HOUSE, Mr. FILLMORE, from the Committee of Ways and Means, referred a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to inform the House whether any order or circular for the collection of duties after the 30th of June last, &c.

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